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AMENDMENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: F.D. Griss Attorney Docket No.: GRISF122500
Application No.: 10/828,943 Group Art Unit: 3643
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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This response is filed in answer to the official action of July 22, 2004. In that action, the Examiner noted certain informalities in the Abstract of the Disclosure which applicant has corrected herein. In addition, the Examiner rejected all of Claims 1-13 as originally filed over a variety of references, most of which disclose the mounting of a bait on a conventional hook and leader arrangement rather than relating to the problem of mounting a bait on a lure while the hook hangs free, which problem applicant has solved by providing a tubular surface around which a bait may be wrapped and a metal wire adapted to be wrapped around the bait to hold it in place while fishing. Applicant has amended the Claims to more clearly set forth his invention, and described each of the references relied on by the Examiner to point out why they neither anticipate nor make obvious the Claims.

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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A. Amendment Transmittal

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

X 1. No additional claim fee is required, as shown below.

COMPUTATION OF FEE FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For		Present Extra		Rate		Additional Fee
Total Claims	12	-	20	=	0	x	9	=	0
Independent Claims	2	-	3	=	0	x	44	=	0
TOTAL									\$0

B. Additional Fee Charges or Credit for Overpayment

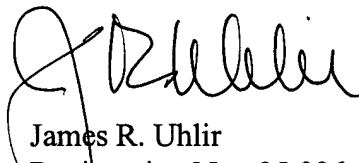
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request

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for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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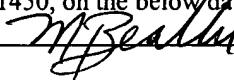


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